

Claims:

1. A carpenter bee trap comprising a housing having a hollow interior and at least one solid wall having a hole formed therein to permit carpenter bees to enter the hollow interior of the housing, said hole having about the same size as holes
5 normally made by carpenter bees so that the hole tends to attract such bees.
2. The carpenter bee trap of claim 1 in which the interior surface of said solid wall forming the interior edge of said hole is substantially flat.
- 10 3. The carpenter bee trap of claim 1 in which the exterior surface of said solid wall around said hole has a light color, and the walls of said housing are opaque so that said hole appears dark from outside the housing.
4. The carpenter bee trap of claim 1 in which at least one of the walls of
15 said housing can be pivoted away from adjacent walls to permit the hollow interior of the housing to be opened for the removal of trapped bees.
5. The carpenter bee trap of claim 1 in which the interior surfaces of said housing are smooth.
- 20 6. The carpenter bee trap of claim 1 which is made of a single piece of molded plastic with molded hinges connecting selected pairs of adjacent walls, and including integral latching means for releasably latching selected pairs of adjacent walls.
- 25 7. The carpenter bee trap of claim 1 in which said hole has a diameter within the range of from about 5/16 inch to 1/2 inch.
8. A carpenter bee trap comprising a housing made of a single piece of
30 molded plastic with molded hinges connecting selected pairs of adjacent walls, and

including integral latching means for releasably latching selected pairs of adjacent walls, said having a hollow interior and at least one solid wall having a hole formed therein to permit carpenter bees to enter the hollow interior of the housing, said hole having about the same size as holes normally made by carpenter bees so that the hole tends to attract such bees.

9. The carpenter bee trap of claim 8 in which the interior surface of said solid wall forming the interior edge of said hole is substantially flat.

10. The carpenter bee trap of claim 8 in which the exterior surface of said solid wall around said hole has a light color, and the walls of said housing are opaque so that said hole appears dark from outside the housing.

11. The carpenter bee trap of claim 8 in which at least one of the walls of said housing can be pivoted away from adjacent walls to permit the hollow interior of the housing to be opened for the removal of trapped bees.

12. The carpenter bee trap of claim 8 in which the interior surfaces of said housing are smooth.

13. The carpenter bee trap of claim 8 in which said hole has a diameter within the range of from about 5/16 inch to 1/2 inch.

14. A method of trapping carpenter bees comprising providing a housing having a hollow interior and at least one solid wall having an exposed hole formed therein to permit carpenter bees to enter the hollow interior of the housing, said hole having about the same size as holes normally made by carpenter bees so that the hole tends to attract such bees, and periodically removing trapped bees from said hollow interior of said housing.

15. The carpenter bee trap of claim 14 in which the interior surface of said solid wall forming the interior edge of said hole is substantially flat.

5 16. The carpenter bee trap of claim 14 in which the exterior surface of said solid wall around said hole has a light color, and the walls of said housing are opaque so that said hole appears dark from outside the housing.

10 17. The carpenter bee trap of claim 14 in which at least one of the walls of said housing can be pivoted away from adjacent walls to permit the hollow interior of the housing to be opened for the removal of trapped bees.

18. The carpenter bee trap of claim 14 in which the interior surfaces of said housing are smooth.

15 19. The carpenter bee trap of claim 14 which is made of a single piece of molded plastic with molded hinges connecting selected pairs of adjacent walls, and including integral latching means for releasably latching selected pairs of adjacent walls.

20 20. The carpenter bee trap of claim 14 in which said hole has a diameter within the range of from about 5/16 inch to 1/2 inch.